

# PRESIDENT MAY MOVE WITHOUT WAITING FOR AN OVERT ACT

Steady Accumulation of Violations of American Rights By German Submarine Commanders May Force Action Soon

## PRESSURE OF THE DIVER CAMPAIGN BECOMING FELT

Many Lines of Industry Through-out the United States Suffering From Congestion of Shipping In Sea Ports of Atlantic Coast

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, February 15.—President Wilson may not wait for the disastrous "overt act" at which he hinted in the address to congress, announcing the breaking off of all diplomatic relations with Germany. Such at least is the consensus of opinion among the higher officials of the administration, to judge from statements they made regarding the status of the international situation last night. It was then admitted that the President has felt the increasing pressure of the repeated acts of Germany in violation of the rights of American citizens, and that the steady accumulation of such violations may grow soon into such proportions that Mr. Wilson will feel constrained to call upon congress for authority to take immediate and further steps for the protection of the lives and property of Americans, who are about their lawful business on the high seas.

### Offenses Piling Up

As the days pass, and the reports of illegal acts against neutral nations by German submarine commanders, acting upon the orders of their government, increase the feeling here grows that it would be a mistaken sense of prudence to wait until some great disaster like that of the woman murder of hundreds of women and children on the Cunard liner Lusitania, before the United States acts.

### Diver Pressure Felt

At the same time the pressure of the submarine campaign of the Germans is being plainly felt in this country to an ever increasing extent. Reports from the Atlantic seaboard ports, tell of the growing congestion of shipping in those harbors, due in a large measure to the fact that the captains of vessels prefer to wait a less perilous moment for making their voyages, and also to the heavy losses which the Germans have inflicted upon the Allied shipping.

### Disturbance Wide

The disturbance is also being felt in many lines of American industry, engaged in sending supplies of food and munitions to the Entente nations. The collateral branches of industry all are suffering in like manner, so that the pinch is becoming acute.

The tenaciousness of the situation, bound from the first to develop in seriousness, is showing already signs of snapping, and the council of national defense is holding daily sessions for the purpose of drafting plans for meeting the emergency, and coordinating all the resources of the nation.

# BERLIN REPORTS "MEATLESS DAYS"

Despatch From German Capital Tells of Strict Food Regulations In Force

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

BERLIN, February 15.—Meatless days have been put into effect here, together with the issuance of cards for the purchase of rations of rice and sugar. Hotel menus have been cut down to the bare necessities.

This despatch is peculiar, inasmuch as it is well known that Herr von Hase, the German food dictator, has had in force such regulations for many months, and reports of the experiences of travelers, Americans and others, telling of the stern rigor with which the food regulations have been enforced in Germany for months, have been printed in many of the mainland publications during the last year and a half.

# AMERICAN TROOPS REMAIN NORTH OF BORDER LINE

Reports That They Had Crossed the Boundary in Pursuit of Villista Raiders Who Had Kidnapped Three Americans Proved To Have Been Unfounded

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

EL PASO, February 15.—Uncle Sam has no intention of going into Mexico again if he can help it. At least the military authorities here on the border line have taken no step to chase the Villa bandits, who, February 10, raided this side of the line, captured 100 horses and much live stock, murdered Americans and kidnapped three members of the Mexican colony which they had sacked.

There is no trace of the missing men and the American troops are still guarding the border carefully and waiting for orders from Washington. Early in the day yesterday reports from El Paso declared that two troops of American cavalry were on the trail of the bandits and were running them to earth. Later another report declared that two troops of the Twelfth United States Cavalry had crossed the border line in the vicinity of the town and were in hot pursuit of the bandits. The latter were said to be rapidly fleeing, still holding to their booty of horses, cattle and Americans.

The first doubt regarding such an action came when Army headquarters declared that no report of such a movement had been received here, and subsequent developments showed that the troops had not crossed the border and that the missing men are still missing, and may have been murdered by the bandits.

# BERNSTORFF SENDS FRIENDS FAREWELL

Former German Ambassador Leaves From Hoboken On Swedish Steamer

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

HOBOKEN, New York, February 14.—The Swedish liner Frederick VIII, carrying the German ambassador, Count J. H. von Bernstorff and staff, sent home on account of the break with Germany, departed for Europe this afternoon at four o'clock.

As the vessel began her voyage the ambassador's party stood at the rails and waved good-bye to crowds of friends ashore. Shells blasted from river and ocean craft sped the steamer on her trip.

The German interned and refugee vessel crews waved a farewell as the liner moved slowly away. Through Collector of the Port Dudley F. Malone, Ambassador von Bernstorff issued the following signed statement:

"I cannot refrain from a last expression to the American people, for the wealth of flowers and gifts sent to the Countess von Bernstorff and myself. It is hard to tell of the good-will sent to both of us. No expressions of gratitude are adequate to speak the affectionate farewell which is in our hearts."

The Hoboken police attach no importance to a peculiar incident which occurred just before the ambassador's party boarded the vessel.

When von Bernstorff stepped from his automobile on arrival at the pier, a youth attempted to hand him a letter. Detectives seized the lad, who said he was given the letter by a man in New York, who requested him to hand it to von Bernstorff. The letter with horoscopic writings and astrological and astronomical symbols, was found in the youth's pockets. He denied any hostile intent.

# CANADIAN OFFICIALS TO GUARD ENVOY CAREFULLY

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, February 14.—A hundred Canadian inspectors and other officials arrived here today to inspect the Frederick VIII upon her arrival Friday. Unusual precautions have been taken to guard von Bernstorff and his party during their stay here.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, February 15.—Reports from most of yesterday show that there has been comparatively slight destruction of vessels in the new "unrestricted" submarine war of the preceding twenty-four hours. The only new victim reported so far are the British steamer F. D. Lambert, sunk, with the crew landed, and two trawlers sunk according to Lloyd's agency and Reuter's despatches. Later reports tell of the sinking of the British steamer Inishowen Head. Her crew has been landed.

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# SUGAR FROM WEST INDIES IS TAXED

Export Duty To Be Levied Upon All Product Raised In New Possessions

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, February 15.—A bill which authorizes the President to continue the present civil and military government of the Danish West Indies, now the possession of the United States, was reported favorably by the house committee on foreign affairs yesterday. The measure also provides for the appropriation of \$25,000,000, payment to Denmark for the Islands. The bill includes a provision for an export duty on the sugar raised in the Islands, whether exported to the United States or to some other country.

# SILENCE OF ENVOY TO TURKS MAKES CAPITAL ANXIOUS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, February 14.—An inquiry was sent today by the state department to the United States ambassador at Constantinople to learn why he is unable to report regarding the marooned Americans detained in Asia Minor for a long time. Since the break with Germany no word has been allowed to reach the United States from Constantinople or Sofia.

It develops that the United States collier Casner, loaded with supplies for Syrian and Armenian relief, and the cruiser Des Moines loaded with medical supplies, and bound for Beirut, have been held at Alexandria by the secretary of the navy.

A thousand Americans have been detained for more than a year by the Turkish military authorities, despite assurances that they would be released, and great alarm has been caused by this.

# M'GRAW STAVES OFF BASEBALL STRIKE

Agrees To Take Players Back Without Discrimination

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

NEW YORK, February 15.—There will be no baseball strike to mar the next season. Manager McGraw, of the Giants, held a conference with President Fultz, of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, yesterday, following which Fultz announced that he would not oppose the return of players to their teams and that he would release them from their pledges to the fraternity, in view of the promise by McGraw that there would be no discrimination against them because of their connection with the fraternity.

# BRITISH ATTACKS DRIVE FOES BACK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

NEW YORK, February 15.—The British attacked the German lines on the Arras salient yesterday and drove the foe back, taking about 250 yards of trenches, and several prisoners, in a brilliant raid.

Other successful raids are reported by the London war office and Paris. Berlin reports that the Germans have captured several Rumanian positions from the Russians including 1000 Rumanian and Rumanian troops, and have held their advance despite tremendous counter attacks.

The booty included three cannon and twelve machine guns.

# BRITISH COAL MINES TAKEN BY GOVERNMENT

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, February 15.—The board of trade yesterday took over the control of all coal mines in the United Kingdom, and will administer them until after the end of the war. This is along the line of policy made public by the prime minister shortly after he assumed office. Guy Chithrop has been named as administrator of the mines for the government.

### FRENCH DEPUTY OFFERS REWARD FOR SUBMARINE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PARIS, February 15.—Andre Le-freire, member of the chamber of deputies, yesterday introduced a resolution offering a prize of 500,000 francs for the crew of any vessel either belligerent or neutral which shall destroy any submarine which may attack it.

# LOCAL ATTORNEYS TO FILL VACANCIES

Names Sent To Senate and Confirmation Expected Soon

Kemp and Heen Will Qualify For Judgeships As Soon As Possible.

THE long hoped for appointment to the circuit court materialized yesterday when President Wilson forwarded to the senate, the names of William H. Heen and Samuel B. Kemp for third and second judge respectively in this circuit.

News of the appointment was received yesterday morning from E. G. Walker, The Advertiser's correspondent in Washington.

The appointment did not come altogether as a surprise to the legal profession which has been keenly awaiting them, in the hope that the congestion in the court might be lessened. In The Advertiser yesterday morning it was stated in connection with an interview with Malcolm Franklin, solicitor of customs, who returned in the Wilhelmshafen Tuesday, that Judge Kemp would no doubt receive one of the appointments, and there have been current and apparently authoritative reports here for more than a week that Heen would take Judge Whitney's place.

### Whitney Leaving Bench

The message sent by Governor Pinkham Saturday to Secretary Lane of the Interior possibly hastened the appointments, for in this message the Governor pointed out that Judge Whitney was on the eve of leaving the circuit and that one division of the circuit court had been vacant since the retirement of Judge Cooke to the higher tribunal.

Judge Kemp has been in Honolulu just one year and six days, a year's residence being one of the qualifications of a circuit judge. He came here from Cooke County, Texas, to take the position of assistant United States district attorney here. At that time Horace W. Vaughan, now federal judge, was the district attorney, and it is understood that Kemp had an understanding with the department at Washington that on making good here he should be given a better position.

### Kemp Makes Good

On the authority of those who have been associated with him in the business of the federal court, Kemp has made good and has found favor with the attorney-general. He has handled considerable of the criminal work for the prosecution here and the attorneys who know him speak well of his work, and seem to like him personally.

Judge Kemp was one of the few Democratic attorneys who escaped endorsement of the Hawaii Rat Association. This is also true of Heen, though it is said that Heen's name was proposed to the association for endorsement, but that he insisted on its being withdrawn.

Heen is hardly thirty-four years old, being born March 11, 1883. He will be the youngest judge in the Territory when he takes office. Heen was born on Maui and educated in the old Iolani College on Beretania Street, where the noted Bishop Willis presided.

### Punahou Graduate

Afterwards he went to Punahou and on graduation took a course of law at the University of California, returning to Honolulu in 1904. He associated himself with the department of the Territory, and later accompanied Andrews to Shanghai, where he remained for two years.

When Heen came back to Hawaii he soon became deputy county attorney for the county of Hawaii, and remained in this position for six years. It was during part of this time that the Hilo graft prosecution was heard, and in it Heen figured prominently as one of the attorneys handling the investigation. It was his work in this investigation that brought him into first prominence here, and so well did he handle the cases that the territorial Democratic administration soon found a place for him in the attorney general's department as a deputy. He has been in that position for about a year.

In that time he has represented the government in several important matters, notably the "alop beer" cases and a group of land suits.

### Aided By Breckons

In the Hilo graft investigation and prosecution Heen was associated with Robert W. Breckons, and is appreciated of his good work it is understood that Breckons, who is now in Washington, did everything possible to secure his appointment, notwithstanding that Heen is a Democrat and Breckons is a Republican. Heen is married and has four children.

Judge Kemp was born in Austin, Texas, and attended the University of Texas where he received the degree of LL.D. in 1909. He entered upon the private practice of law in Austin and continued there for eight years, when he moved to Robert Lee, Texas, where he practised until 1914. In that year Kemp was elected county judge of Cooke County, Texas, and resigned about a year later to take the position offered him here.

Judge Kemp was born near Austin, December 26, 1871. His father was a cotton planter. He married Mary Hope of Caldwell, Texas, who is with him here. They have one daughter.

Judge Kemp said yesterday he did not know what arrangements would be made with respect to the circuit court calendar and the division of work under it, and he had nothing to say about appointing clerks.

"I understand Judge Whitney's clerk will leave with him, and of course this means that another must be ap-

# NORTHMEN FILE FORMAL PROTEST

Scandinavian Nations Hint At Claims Against Germany For Submarine Ruthlessness

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, February 15.—The Scandinavian countries are making formal protest to Germany's ruthless U-boat warfare.

A Reuter's despatch says that Norway, Sweden and Denmark have handed to the German ministers at their respective capitals identical notes protesting against the German naval measures announced in the recent proclamation for "unrestricted" warfare, and making reservations now regarding the loss of life and material damage which may result from the policy. The reservations foreshadow claims against Germany later on.

Negotiations are being carried on now between Count Czernin, the Austrian minister of foreign affairs, and U. S. Ambassador Frederick C. Penfield, with a view of avoiding a rupture between the United States and Germany, according to an announcement in the semi-official Lokal Anzeiger of Germany.

Austria, it is said, has so far refused to modify her endorsement of Germany's proclamation of "unrestricted" naval warfare, but the negotiations are said to be for the purpose of reaching a harmonious understanding with the United States.

The Anzeiger declares that Berlin professes that the last bridge of communication between the Teutonics and the United States be unbroken.

The negotiations are said to have reached no definite result as yet, but there will probably be a statement soon pointed, but I don't wish to go into that now," said Kemp. "I will probably take office as soon as the confirmation is made, without waiting until the commission arrives to qualify."

# COURT EMPLOYEES TREMBLE FOR JOBS

The Damocles sword is hanging by the merest thread over the devoted necks of the Republican employees of the judiciary building—the sword in this instance being that dread utensil of "practical" politics commonly known as the "ax."

Chester Doyle, Japanese interpreter of the circuit court, is already feelingly rubbing that part of his anatomy to which the ax may be most readily applied. Henry Smith, big kahuna of the courts, who has been chief clerk for so many years that many people think he owns the building, is totting up his bank account to see if he has saved enough to live without a job the rest of his days. "Colonel" Charles L. Hopkins, who looks like Mark Twain and acts like Lord Chesterfield, is beginning to wish he had seen the error of his way in time and joined a Democratic precinct club.

And Paushi Street is standing on its hind legs and pawing the air. The erudite Bourbons of that select district are beginning to feel their oats.

When the news came from Washington yesterday that William H. Heen and Samuel B. Kemp had been nominated by President Wilson for the vacant circuit judgeships, local Democracy with a capital C immediately got busy. A gift frame was ordered (to be paid for by Link McCandless) for the resolutions adopted this week by the Democratic territorial committee, demanding that Republican job-holders in territorial and judiciary departments be fired and their jobs given to the hungry faithful. These appropriately framed resolutions were hung on the walls of the territorial committee's headquarters. Paushi Street gathered in front of the beautiful work of art and gave three frowning cheers.

In the appointment of the two Democrats to the judiciary offices the local Bourbons could see the pot of gold that lies at the foot of the elusive political rainbow. Here was their chance to make good on those patriotic resolutions.

Just what is in line for the positions which the Democrats hope and believe are shortly to be made vacant is another story. There will be no lack of applicants. In the words of Bill Shakespeare, an eminent Democrat of the pre-Jacksonian days, "the job's the thing."

The main point just at present is that there are several Republicans in the judiciary building who are drawing salaries that might just as well go to "deserving" Democrats. As above mentioned, there's Henry Smith. K. Aona saw the storm coming and crawled into a storm-cellar. His resignation was announced a few days ago, together with the statement that he was going with Judge Whitney as clerk of the law firm which the judge is to join when he leaves the bench.

There are any number of Paushi Street Democrats who are entitled to the job of Hawaiian interpreter, held with so much dignity now by C. L. Hopkins. Some of them talk what purports to be English. Perhaps they can fill the bill. If Hopkins goes out, the promotion committee might well employ him in its offices as a facile simile of the late Mark Twain. Hopkins could quote Twain's well-worn lines about "no alien land" and "the fleet of islands."

There are several other Republicans around the courts who may well feel nervous, for, all factiousness aside, the Democrats are out in earnest for their scalp, and mean to get them.

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# BRITISH DEFENDERS SEE GERMAN PLOT IN CUBAN REVOLT

Foreign Office Officials Recall the Capture of Captain Boehm At Falmouth Weeks Ago, and the Seizure of Papers Showing Activity On Island

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, February 15.—Officials of the foreign office here are much interested in the status of the revolt in the island of Cuba, in view of the revelations of the activities of German agents in that island made some weeks ago, when the secret service agents of this government captured Captain Hans Boehm, an admitted German secret agent, who had been at work in the Antilles.

Boehm, who was captured at Falmouth on the Dutch steamer Zeelandia, was found to have in his possession a map of the wonderful bay of Santa Lucia, on the southern coast of the island, and believed to have been desired by the Germans as a secret rendezvous for submarines and sea raiders.

Other papers seized upon the captain at that time, and found in his effects told of the obtaining of an "oil concession" for Germany from the Cuban government and private parties, owning land in the vicinity of the bay. Boehm was carrying this and other information to a superior officer, whose name is known to officials here, but is not disclosed.

Upon the discovery of the German activity in the West Indies, British naval patrol vessels were dispatched to search for a possible submarine station, but to date there is no report that they have been successful, and officials here are confident that they never will.

"No such station exists," is the way one of them put the general belief yesterday. It is the opinion of many of the best informed among them that the report of an "oil concession" in Cuba was but a blind, adopted by the German agents to throw suspicion off the track, and that the real work of Boehm and his fellows in Cuba has been more of a diplomatic mission and very closely connected with the present outbreak.

It is pointed out that with the United States actively engaged in "pacifying Cuba" she would have her hands too full to pay very much attention to what is going on on this side of the Atlantic.

# YANKEE SCHOONER TEUTONIC VICTIM

Lyman M. Law From Bangor, Reported To Have Been Sunk By Mine Or Torpedo

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, February 15.—The American schooner Lyman M. Law, which left Bangor, Maine, with a cargo of lemon box shooks some weeks ago, has been sunk in the Mediterranean, according to conflicting reports that have been received from abroad by the state department officials here.

Despatches from Rome by the Stefani News Agency, of that city, reported yesterday that the schooner had been submerged Monday and that the crew, including eight American sailors, had landed safely.

Other despatches, including one from the American consul at Rome, H. M. Treadway, indicate that the schooner was not torpedoed, but sunk by a mine laid by a submarine, believed to have been Austrian.

Secretary Lansing is also informed that the schooner was sunk by gunfire from a submarine.

On the basis of the despatches received the government is seeking official information as to the destruction of the Law to determine immediately how it affects the situation between Germany and the United States. The main points to be determined are whether the ship was attacked without warning, whether she carried contraband, whether any Americans have been lost, and whether the sinking constitutes an "overt act" which depends upon the facts of the sinking.

The Law had a cargo of 60,000 bundles of lemon-box shooks. She carried no contraband, according to the shippers. The manifest shows only shooks as the cargo.

# BERLIN REPORTS BABES KILLED BY ALLIED BOMBS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

BERLIN, February 15.—An Overseas News Agency despatch today says that sixteen children were killed at Bruges last Saturday by bombs which British aviators dropped. The children are said to have been skating when the bombs fell among them and killed more than a dozen, injuring many others.

# WAR COST TO GERMANY NOW ALMOST FIFTEEN BILLIONS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, February 14.—The war has cost Germany up to today sixty billion marks (approximately \$15,000,000,000).

# REVOLT MENACE IN CUBA SCARES OFFICIALS OF ADMINISTRATION

Washington Frankly Alarmed By Danger That United States Will Be Compelled To Intervene Again In Island Complications

## PRESIDENT MENOCA SAYS SITUATION WELL IN HAND

Answers Warning Sent To His People By Secretary of State Lansing, That America Will Not Permit Fighting To Go On

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, February 15.—State department officials, from secretary Lansing down, are plainly and frankly alarmed over the situation that is so rapidly developing in Cuba, where the government is facing one of the most active revolts since the expulsion of the Spaniards in 1898. The specter of active intervention armed American forces is momentarily becoming more threatening, say these officials, who are, however, doing all in their power to avert such a move.

The Liberals of the island, who are charging that President Menocal "stole the presidency," that he stuffed the ballot boxes at the last election, and that his only claim to his office rests upon "the grossest kind of barefaced fraud," are reported to be gathering strength in the great agricultural sections of Matanzas, Santa Clara, Camaguey, and even Porto Principe and Santiago provinces. Southern Santa Clara has always been the forcing ground for radical opinions and liberal ideas, and it is believed that former President Gomez has had agents there for some time, hatching revolt.

It is also feared that the rebels if they are not promptly crushed will be able to do an enormous amount of damage to the crops of sugar cane, as well as to the large sugar haciendas or plantation houses, scattered through the districts now most affected by the spirit of revolt.

Secretary Lansing last night cabled once more to the Cuban authorities, announcing that this government will "under no circumstances recognize any government which is established by violence."

The rebellion is reported from widely separated points, and the call issued yesterday by President Menocal for additional volunteers, is held here to be indication of the successes claimed by the rebels in Matanzas and other places.

### Sends Arms To Cubans

Secretary Baker of the war department, announced last night that his department has closed a deal with the Cuban government, whereby this country will ship immediately ten thousand army rifles and two million rounds of ammunition for the use of the federal forces.

While intervention is regarded with reluctance it was made plain to the Cuban authorities yesterday that if the United States is forced to act she will do so vigorously. President Menocal is reported to have answered this communication, with the statement that his government is amply able to take care of the situation, with the aid of arms and ammunition also promised by this government.

### Situation Serious

Fresh stories of the growing revolt reached the Cuban capital yesterday, say despatches from Havana.

It is reported that Col. Baldomero Acosta, mayor of the town of Marion, is declared to have led the rebels and to have engaged in a fight with the "rurales" or government forces, and that he was killed.

Major-Gen. Enrique Castillo has been wounded.

President Menocal is quoted as admitting that the Cuban troops have revolted in Camaguey province.

# MAKERS OF PAPER SCURRY TO CAPITAL

Manufacturers Arrive In Washington Unannounced To Confer With Trade Board

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, February 15.—Manufacturers of newspaper paper reached Washington unannounced last night. It is believed that their move is to confer with the federal trade commission concerning the government's investigation of the industry, now under way. No statement was made, but there are strong indications that one of the subjects to be considered at the forthcoming conference, with the government officials will be the activities of the grand jury of New York, which has asked for the investigation, and that the department of justice indict the manufacturers.